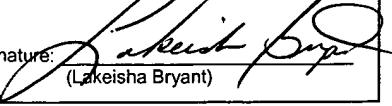


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2006 (the "Action"), finally rejecting claims 2-21, please enter for consideration the comments herein for the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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